

"William, we are going out. We will be at the movies. Then we will go out to dinner. We will not be out late. Please be good for the baby-sitter. Miss Lane will be coming over," said Mom.

"OK, Mom," said William. He was not happy. He did not like it when Mom and Dad went out. They left him at home. William did not like having a baby-sitter. Miss Lane made him eat all his dinner. She did not let him play outside. She was afraid William would get hurt. Miss Lane was no fun. She never played any games with William.

Soon Miss Lane walked in the door. "Hello, William. How are you?" said Miss Lane. "OK, I guess," said William. He walked back to his room. He decided to read for awhile. He liked to read books. He

picked a book about dogs. Then he lay on his bed and read.

Later Miss Lane walked into his room. "Time for your bath," she said. "I do not want to take a bath. Mom does not make me take a bath," said William. "I am not your mother," said Miss Lane. William thought, I am glad she is not!

After his bath William went to watch TV. Miss Lane sat in the kitchen. William did not know what she was doing. Soon she walked into the room. Miss Lane had a bowl. It smelled good. She had made some popcorn.

"I made you a treat. I poured you some soda. You took your bath. That was a good boy. Thank you so much," she said. William smiled at her. "Thank

you for the treat," he said. Then they both watched TV.

Later Miss Lane said it was time to go to bed. "I will read you a story," she said. "No!" said William. "Let me read it to you."

They walked to William's room. He began to read to Miss Lane. She listened with a smile. After William had finished, Miss Lane tucked him in. "You are a good reader," she said. "You are a good baby-sitter," said William. "I am glad you came to stay with me. Maybe I will see you soon. Goodnight."

"Goodnight, William," said Miss Lane. Then she turned out the light.

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